



Rockwood Brownies and Guides joined the world wide celebration of their founder, Lady Baden Powell's birthday. Admiring Kristin English's International doll collection are group members wearing foreign national dress. Left to right Kathy Nemet represents Hungary; Tracey Bedford, Scotland; Beth Haworth, Scotland; Donna Thomson, Japan; Julie Davidson, Mexico.

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Cubs enjoy first banquet

by Barb Wynneck
First Eramosa Cub Pack joined with their families to enjoy their first annual Wolf Cub Banquet at Stone United Church, Feb. 23.

In a special ceremony, District Service Team Representative Lionel Red Emberson of Guelph, presented the new organization with their charter from Ottawa, their flag and their neckerchiefs.

Each Wolf Pack has its own individually designed neck scarf. The Eramosa group's is an

equally divided gold and brown triangle, trimmed with a blue border—the colors representing the sun, the earth and the sky.

Under the leadership of Akela Dick Carrick, Raksha Joyce Duffield and Rama Eva Oliver, the 22 member pack meets every other Monday at Eramosa School, directly following classes. The boys met for the first time in Sept. 1978. The pack is sponsored by the Eramosa-Rockwood Home and School Association.



First Eramosa Wolf Cub Pack celebrated International Thinking Week with their first annual family banquet. Group members are front row, left to right: Kirk Adsett, Mark Miller, Mark Howlett, Nathan Goudy, Sandy McDougall. Centre row: Colin Jones, Mike Watson, Ken Howlett, Tom MacKay, Patrick Gordon, Ian Gordon, Douglas Rapson. Back row: Billy Bailey, Jeff Oliver, Steven Duffield, Phillip Hartung, John Duffield, Liam Goudy.

Animals lost in barn fire Friday

Over 145 animals were lost in a fire which levelled a barn owned by Francis and Alan Burns Friday morning.

The barn, located at Lot 2, Concession 4, Rockwood, contained five sows, two boars, ten geils, 30 piglets, 55 sheep, two rams, 25 lambs, and 20 newborns, all of which were killed. Only six horses and four chickens escaped the blaze, according to Rockwood and district fire chief Carl Meadows.

Also lost in the fire

were hay, straw, pig feed, equipment and lumber for new pens.

Flames broke out shortly before 10.30 a.m., Mr. Meadows said. The cause is still undetermined.

The Burns began farming about five years ago, and the fire completely wiped out their operation. Insurance will pay for about half the loss, but the couple plan to clean up and start all over again according to Mr. Meadows.

The community had

Spring Tonic comes early

by Barb Wynneck
The freshness of a new season was in the air, when Peter Gzowski nationally launched his new book "Peter

Gzowski's Spring Tonic," at the Rockwood Town Hall on Friday evening.

The old pine floor boards bounced as the Green Fiddle Morris stepped to the fiddler, performing traditional English country dances—their ankle bells jangling, warding off the evil spirits, part of the ancient spring fertility rites. The maidens, bright green tunics and the gentlemen's gay flowered straw hats were a colorful contrast to the gray fog outside.

As usual, the local Sunshine Band delighted the audience, and set feet to dancin' in squares, waltzes and Schottishes. The familiar old time tunes kept toes a'tappin'.

St. John's Anglican Church ladies, sprouting yellow daffodils on their collars offered brimming baskets of homemade goodies to the full house.

Gzowski happily autographed copies of his book—an anthology of spring writings by well known, and not so well known Canadians. The artist compiled the

selections at his Rockwood desk last year.

The lively affair, organized by the owners of the Book Shelf, Guelph, was in itself a great shot of spring tonic.

Year of child meeting theme

by Barb Wynneck
The United Nations International Year of the Child was brought to the girls' attention when the Rockwood Brownies and Guides joined for a pot luck supper to celebrate their founders' birthday.

Different colored mats were placed under the attractive table settings, representing the percentage of the world population living on each of the five continents, left hungry after their meals.

The group was reminded that 60 per cent of India's, eight per cent of Africa's, eight per cent of South America's, 15 per cent of Europe's, and four per cent of North

Sunshiners meet

by Mrs. Nellis
A lovely spring day with puddles here and there brought the Sunshine Club to Rockwood town hall for their usual get together and social.

Mrs. Mary Milne was acting president in the absence of Mrs. Ruby Peacock who has been in hospital. We wish for her a speedy recovery. We miss her.

Mrs. Vera Black was welcomed back to her usual seat at the piano.

Mrs. Ella Duffield, John Nasmith, Hugh Paterson, Jack Milne birthdays were remembered. We wish them all good health.

The program consisted of a recitation by Mrs. Mary Milne entitled, "The Farmers Now and Then", which was much enjoyed.

The Sunshine Band played several old waltzes. Mr. and Mrs. Pollack from Guelph assisted in the band. Mrs. Pollack chorded on the

Cubs, Scouts receive awards

by Barb Wynneck
The families of the Rockwood Cubs and Scouts all headed to the town hall on Tuesday night to enjoy a bean supper.

Organized by the Parent Committee, the evening was a most successful affair. The boys' humorous skits and a movie provided the entertainment.

Scout leaders Bill Hammond and Steve Johnson were awarded wood badges—part one of

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Rockwood bowling

Team standings at the end of the 21st of bowling are: Guelphits, 96 points, Erk and Jerks, 86, Kay's Feeds 83, Four Corners, 80, Happy Gang, 74, Unpredictables, 74, Carney's 71, Rovers, 70, Good Timers, 69, Rockwood Posties 67, Late Comers, 61, Countrymen, 52.

Ladies over 500 for Tuesday, Feb. 6, Ann Parkinson, 647, Nellie Stockman, 647, Joanne Davies, 607, Mary Lush, 589, Joy Halliburton, 567, Vivienne O'Brien, 561, Marg McKersie, 554, Erke Van Driel, 543, Bev Dahmer, 542, Ivy Ritchie, 539, Nini Coverdale, 518, Marg Sommerville, 518.

Men over 600 for Tuesday Feb. 6, Ted Jestin, 741, Jim Cerniuk, 701, Howard Dunk, 668, Don McKersie, 611.

Results of games bowled Tuesday Feb. 6, Four Corners, 7 points, 2 highest bowlers, Nellie Stockman, 647 Ann Parkinson, 647, Kay's Feeds, 0 pts, Mary Lush 589, Marg Sommerville, 618, Erk and Jerks, 0 pts, Joy Halliburton, 567, Dick Halliburton, 556.

Guelphits, 7 pts, Jim Cerniuk, 701, Sam Lawler, 551, Carney's, 3 pts, Howard Dunk, 668, Jeff Parkinson, 503, Good Timers, 4 pts, Kathy Bolton, 486, Denise Bolton, 478, Countrymen, 5 pts, John Van Milligan, 507, Bert Gould 543.

Rockwood Posties, 2 pts, John Murlison, 540, Ivy Ritchie, 539, Late Comers, 2 pts, David Donnell, 644, Don Buttenham, 472, Rovers, 5 pts, Joanne Davies, 607, Vivienne O'Brien, 561, Unpredictables, 5 pts, Fred Vandervalk, 571, Chris Dales, 515, Happy Gang 2 pts, Paul Holman, 543, Dennis Death, 540.

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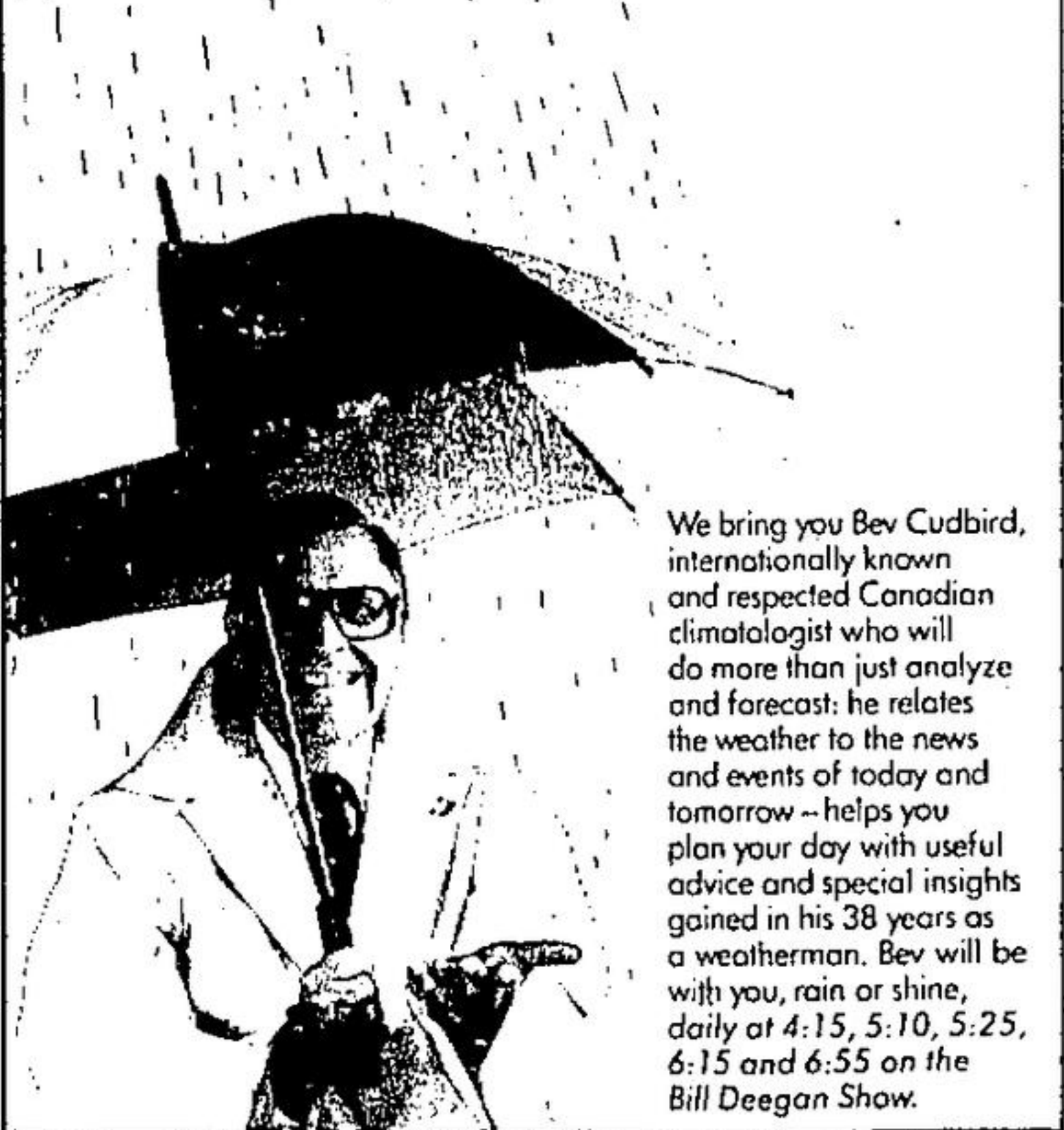
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